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Hawaii since the question of the annexation of the islands to the United States became imminent, as the loss is chiefly in the total of passengers in transit through Yokohama for way ports.

The aggregate of crews inspected during the six months—July 1 to December 31, 1897—was 5,014, making a total of 11,952 persons examined.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

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STATISTICAL REPORTS.

AUSTRALIA—*Brisbane*.—Month of September, 1897. Estimated population, 100,913. Total deaths, 70, including 1 from enteric fever.

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Newcastle.—Quarter ended December 31, 1897. Estimated population, 15,331. Total deaths, 70. No deaths reported from contagious diseases.

Sydney.—Month of December, 1897. Estimated population, 410,000. Total deaths, 546, including enteric fever, 18; scarlet fever, 2, and diphtheria, 1.

CANADA—*Ontario—Hamilton*.—Month of February, 1898. Estimated population, 50,600. Total deaths, 60, including scarlet fever, 1, and diphtheria, 1.

GREAT BRITAIN—*England and Wales*.—The deaths registered in 33 great towns in England and Wales during the week ended February 26 correspond to an annual rate of 20.9 a thousand of the aggregate population, which is estimated at 11,218,378. The highest rate was recorded in Wolverhampton, viz, 30.2, and the lowest in Bradford, viz, 14.5.

London.—One thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine deaths were registered during the week, including measles, 106; scarlet fever, 11; diphtheria, 46; whooping cough, 52; enteric fever, 9, and diarrhea and dysentery, 8. The deaths from all causes correspond to an annual rate of 21.9 a thousand. In greater London 2,417 deaths were registered, corresponding to an annual rate of 19.7 a thousand of the population. In the "outer ring" the deaths included 28 from diphtheria, 18 from measles, 3 from scarlet fever, and 16 from whooping cough.

Ireland.—The average annual death rate represented by the deaths registered during the week ended February 26 in the 23 principal town districts of Ireland was 29.7 a thousand of the population. The lowest rate was recorded in Kilpenny, viz, 0.0, and the highest in Wexford, viz, 49.7 a thousand. In Dublin and suburbs 209 deaths were registered, including enteric fever, 4, and 4 from diphtheria.

Scotland.—The deaths registered in 8 principal towns during the week ended February 26 correspond to an annual rate of 20.5 a thou-

sand of the population, which is estimated at 1,568,536. The lowest mortality was recorded in Greenock, viz, 14.5, and the highest in Perth, viz, 37.4 a thousand. The aggregate number of deaths registered from all causes was 619, including measles, 16 ; scarlet fever, 10 ; diphtheria, 3, and whooping cough, 20.

Jamaica.—Two weeks ended February 19, 1898. Estimated population, 694,865. Total deaths not reported. The deaths included yellow fever, 1 ; enteric fever, 1, and diphtheria, 1.

WEST INDIES—*Guadeloupe*.—Month of February, 1898. Estimated population, 18,500. Total deaths, 31. No deaths from contagious diseases.

RUSSIA—*Riga*.—Month of December, 1898. Estimated population, 282,000. Total deaths, 467, including phthisis pulmonalis, 53 ; enteric fever, 8 ; scarlet fever, 12 ; smallpox, 9 ; diphtheria, 8 ; croup, 2 ; measles, 3, and whooping cough, 3.